

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
JANUARY 13, 2015**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13, 2015, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member David Prechtel	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 23, 2014. Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Board members reviewed the claims from December 5, 2014, through January 8, 2015. Thereafter, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

WALK TO END ALZHEIMERS

Louise Rickelman, representing the Alzheimer's Association, asked permission to use the river walk and gazebo on October 3, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to noon for the Walk to End Alzheimer's. The walk will begin at 9:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the event from the Alzheimer's Association on October 3, 2015 at the river walk from 7:00 a.m. to noon. Motion carried 3-0.

ENGINEER COMMENTS

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the letters he sent out about the city hall parking lot are due January 27. He also said he noticed a large number of heavy trucks using the road near the Obing Strasse project. He said he spoke to the police chief regarding this matter. Hurm said he received a letter from Dorothy McCarthy at 715 Mill Street concerning trees that are located between the sidewalk and the street.

SNOW CONFERENCE

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle asked if he and the assistant street commissioner could attend the 2015 North American Snow Conference in Grand Rapids, MI from April 12-15, 2015.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to give permission to Raymie and Jeff to attend the conference at Grand Rapids from April 12-15, 2015. Motion carried 3-0.

OLD STREET SIGNS

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said the street department has about 5000 pounds of old aluminum street signs. He asked the board to declare the signs surplus. He also asked permission to seek pricing to sell these signs.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to declare the signs surplus and allow the street department to seek pricing to sell the signs. Motion carried 3-0.

SEEK QUOTES FOR VARIOUS EQUIPMENT

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle asked permission to seek quotes for the capital equipment items in the street department's 2015 budget. Some of the items are a trash truck, jetter truck, 1/2-ton pickup truck, and a rubbish truck.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to proceed with the quote process for the 2015 capital equipment items. Motion carried 3-0.

SEEK QUOTES FOR POLICE VEHICLES

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett asked permission to send out bid packets to purchase two 2015 police vehicles.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to permit the police chief to send out bid packets for two 2015 police vehicles. Motion carried 3-0.

POLICE RADIOS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett asked permission to purchase 31 portable dual band radios and 12 mobile radios from Emergency Radio Service Inc [ERS] for \$130,584.50. ERS pricing is under the State QPA, therefore, no more quotes were sought.

POLICE PORTABLE RADIOS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett said the Dubois County EMA notified the City that the 2014 Homeland Security Grant Application for four dual band portable radios for the Jasper Police Department was approved. He asked permission to purchase four radios from the State QPA for a total of \$14,033.25 which is the amount of the grant. Bennett added that this is a reimbursable grant.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to give the chief permission to purchase four radios with the grant for \$14,033.25. Motion carried 3-0.

YAMAHA VIKING

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett asked permission to purchase the Yamaha Viking from Obermeyer that was loaned to the department at no charge. The cost is \$11,426.99.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to purchase the Viking from Obermeyer Yamaha. Motion carried 3-0.

CAD COMPUTERS

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett presented the following quotes for two computers for the CAD center. These computers will replace the current computers that operate on Windows XP.

Harmonic Electronics	\$24,082.00
Advanced Radio Communications	\$18,907.00
ERS	\$18,837.01

Bennett recommended accepting the low quote that was submitted by ERS.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the recommendation and purchase two new computers. Motion carried 3-0.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Mayor Seitz presented a conflict of interest disclosure statement that was submitted by Kitten Miracle. Miracle is the arts director for the City and she designs and sells post cards to other departments.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the conflict of interest disclosure statement from Kitten Miracle. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:23 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 27th day of January, 2015.

Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer